



Meeting Notes

Community Meeting #4

December 9, 2017

Franklin Park Pathways, Lower Circuit Drive and Scarboro Pond Area Improvements

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The fourth public meeting for Franklin Park Pathways, Lower Circuit Drive and Scarboro Pond area improvements was held on December 9, 2017 at the William J. Devine Clubhouse at Franklin Park. Below is a summary of the issues discussed:

1. Lauren Bryant from BPRD, provided an overview of the previous 4 phases of the pathway improvements, the funding, construction progress for phase 5a and the upcoming phase 5b project. This meeting was being held to update the community on new parking designs around the tennis courts as well as the entrances to the park at Morton Street and Canterbury Street.
2. Kyle Zick, consulting landscape architect, reviewed the extent and scope of the phase 5 projects and presented the parking and entry designs.

Lower Circuit Drive Parking

- a. A revised parking plan increased the parking from 30 parallel parking spaces to 54 parallel parking spaces. Parallel parking is proposed on both sides of Circuit Drive. Trees and puddingstone outcroppings are avoided as parking is added. The community supported the new parking plan.

Construction Phasing

- a. The contractor will be required to sequence construction to complete the maintenance yard driveway on Canterbury Street first and then proceed to the driveway and parking on Circuit Drive near the tennis courts before proceeding further south along Circuit Drive. During construction of Circuit Drive and the tennis court parking, the tennis courts will be open for use, but parking be more remote. Pedestrian use of the Circuit Path loop will generally be open during construction as safety and construction activities permit.

Other Issues

- a. At the planted island where Circuit Drive intersects, a community member mentioned that some cars short cut the island and drive the incorrect direction east of the island. BPRD noted we can study what can be done to prevent this.
- b. The Scarboro Pond paths will be replaced in kind with two exceptions where the existing paths drain poorly. Those two areas will be re-aligned and re-graded to correct the poor drainage.
- c. A few trees will be removed as part of the phase 5b scope of work. These trees are located between Circuit Drive and the Shattuck Hospital and are of poor quality/health.
- d. A few comments related to larger Franklin Park issues that can be addressed in a master planning effort that is being considered. These issues include: additional tables/picnic tables



and seating for tennis, adding a playground, coordination with Shattuck hospital construction/planning.

Next Steps

- a. The phase 5a construction will be complete in mid-January, 2018.
- b. Phase 5b design requires several approvals from City agencies before construction documents can be completed. The goal is to have construction start in the spring 2018 proceeding into the summer and early fall.